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Incoming Officers Explain Planks

Farkas, Kovachy, Kronenberg Foresee Greater School Pride

by Betsy Weisberger

The annual campaign for the election of Student Council officers is traditionally one of tension, excitement, and color. This year's election has been no exception. Emerging victorious from a field of twelve candidates were Alan Farkas, president-elect; Edward Kovachy, the new vice-president; and the newly-elected secretary Helen Kronenberg.

The officers expressed their wish to combine practical reforms with a program for stimulating school spirit and unity.

Farkas' Three Principles

President-elect Farkas stated that his platform was based on the application of three major principles. First, he advocated the involvement of the student in school affairs and the strengthening of pride in Shaker.

He intends to accomplish this through better assemblies, which would utilize such talent within the school as the band, the Thespian Society, and A.F.S. students from abroad.

Second, he emphasized the importance of the bond between varsity teams and the student body. To tighten this bond, Alan suggests a red victory flag, to be displayed after sports victories.

He has also lent his support to the athletic department's plans for an athletic calendar to be set up in the main hall and for an outstanding athlete to be

selected Raider of the Week.

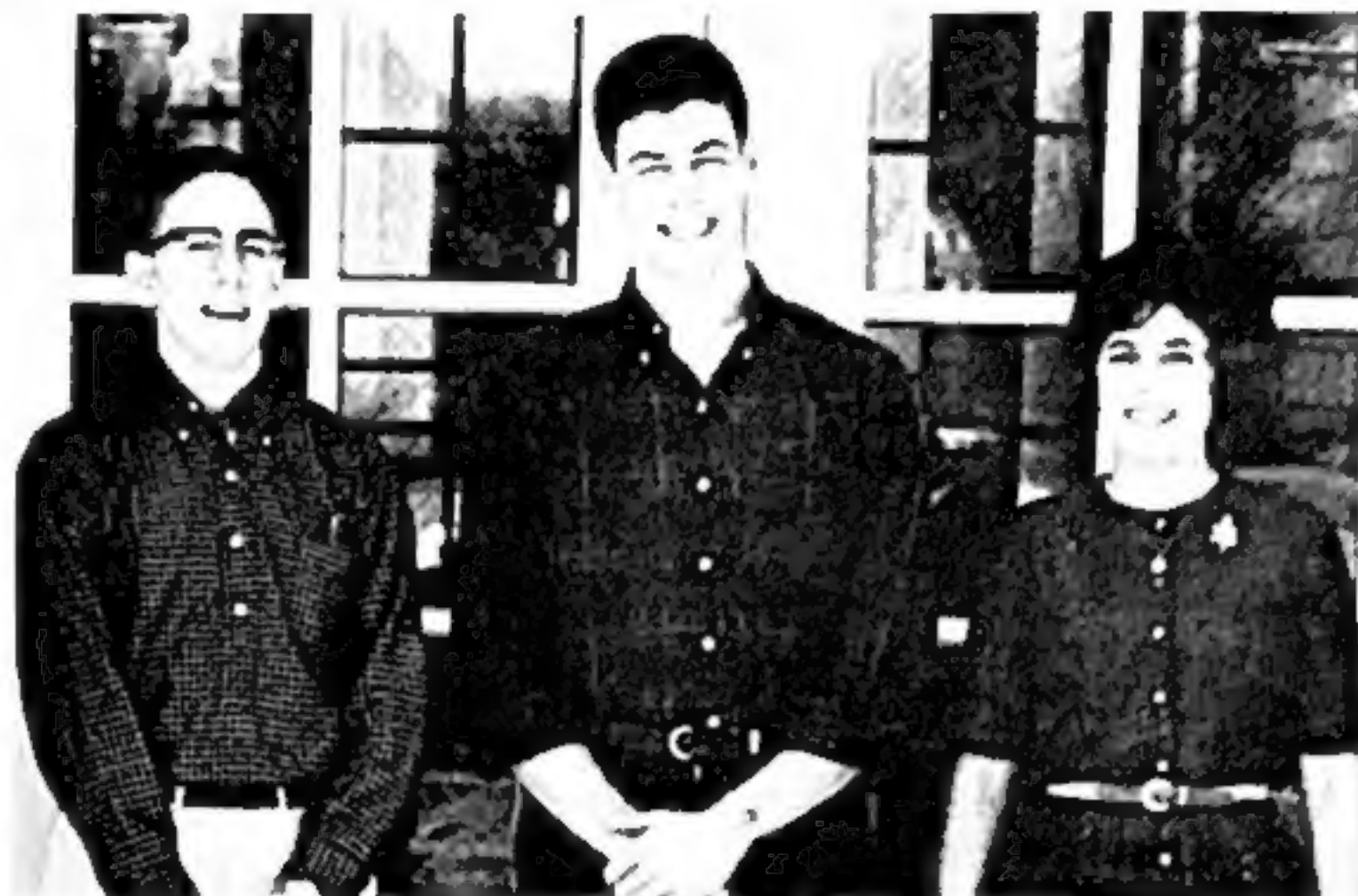
His third major plank concerned class unity and spirit. He feels this spirit can be improved through an interclass spring carnival, which would include competitive events of a strictly non-athletic nature.

In terms of Student Council administration, Alan said he would work for synchronization of Student Council committees, and would definitely look to the two losing presidential candidates, Jeff Chokel and Joe Owens, for ideas and capable leadership.

As a summation of his views on the challenge ahead, he declared, "Because we are Shaker I am confident that, with initiative applied to the principles I have just discussed, the problem of student apathy can be effectively attacked."

Kovachy Wants Typing Room

Ed Kovachy, new vice president, also outlined his plans for school improvement. First, he suggested a sports bulletin board, supplied by team man-



Campaign-weary officers-elect (from left to right), Vice-president Ed Kovachy, President Alan Farkas, and Secretary Helen Kronenberg, relax to reflect on the responsibilities they have assumed.

agers with scores, L.E.L. standing, and personal "tidbits" concerning the players.

He also advocated a lunch period study hall for who who cannot get work done in a noisy atmosphere. He feels that such a study hall can be organized under strict proctoring.

The Vice President-elect went on to explain that his most important plank was for the establishment of a student typing room. Some kind of card check-out system would have to be instituted to insure the safety of the typewriters.

The new vice president would also like to see a reorganization of the school band. He is disappointed in the lack of discipline,

pride, and spirit in the organization, and feels it is not truly representative of the best musicians at Shaker.

He concluded, "The vice-presidency is a flexible office and the amount of success achieved depends a great deal on the individual holding the job. In the hands of the right person, the office can be an effective one. I intend to make it so."

Kronenberg Sees Opportunities

Helen, the new Student Council secretary and only representative of the distaff side among the officers, said, "I would like to thank all of you for giving me the opportunity to serve Shaker and to participate more actively in school affairs."

She stated that she would use her vote on the Executive Board to the best of her ability; she also suggested that perhaps in the future a second secretary could be elected to help handle correspondence.

Assembly Ends Sports Season

The Winter Sports Award Assembly ceremoniously terminated the winter sports season as Shaker's basketball, wrestling, and champion swimming teams were honored Wednesday, March 20.

Coaches Fred Heinlen, Ed Zednik, Ed Stoch, and Paul Stark presented the various awards to the varsity and junior varsity athletes in this annual event.

The program was culminated when the swimmers received Lake Erie League trophies donated by the Shaker Dad's Club. Jim Orr, one of the eleven seniors who will probably take next year's title hopes with them, was given the captain's award.

First-Year Awards

Coach Heinlen, pleased with his club's showing, presented nine basketball letters to his top cagers and five to managers. Coach Stoch gave out fourteen first-year awards to the JayVees.

Wrestling coach Zednik, stealing the show with his quick wit, awarded his grapplers numerals, letters, and praise.

All in Fun?
The Shakerite Staff is privileged to be able to present this issue. This is only possible through your complete understanding that anything stated in the April Fool's section is strictly in fun.

Seniors Shoot for Honors; Learn Rudiments of Riflery

Gunshots ring in Shaker's basement corridor every Monday and Wednesday after school, as members of the Rifle Club fire for fun, learning, and honors.

Charles W. Hendrickson, who has been faculty adviser to the club for seven years, explained that seven out of the 28 members shoot at each session, each member shooting once every two weeks.

They use .22 caliber Remington rifles on loan from the U.S. Army, and the guns are kept locked in the school the entire year. Mr. Hendrickson is bonded for the use of the guns. Members pay for their own ammunition, along with \$1.00 every year in dues.

Seniors Only

The rifle range is in the basement under the clinic. Membership to the club is restricted to seniors, who apply for 32 available positions in the fall and are in the club from October to May.

The purpose of the club, Mr. Hendrickson explained, is mainly to provide recreation and enjoyment, but members can also work towards the awards given by the National Rifle Association.

The club also affords the beginner the opportunity to learn about the handling of firearms in general.

FTA Visitation Day To Come in April

Shaker students who are interested in testing their ability and interest in teaching will be given the opportunity during the Future Teachers of America Visitation Day on April 30.

This opportunity will be open to any senior, regardless of whether he is a member of the organization. The Visitation Day, as the name suggests, is the day on which students may visit other schools and teach actual classes.

Those who have signed up will be visiting any of the schools in the Shaker system except the high school.

Seniors To Choose

Each senior will be able to choose the grade and subject which he wishes to teach. He will also be able to choose the teacher in whose place he would like to teach.

Each student will be responsible for making arrangements with the teacher and preparations for the day.

Co-ops to Continue; Sophs Take Reading

The Co-ops are half over! The only four remaining Co-ops, in mathematics, science, Spanish, and German, are scheduled for Wednesday, April 17, Thursday, April 18, and Friday, April 19.

Students at Shaker, at many college-preparatory high schools, and at private schools across the country take the achievement tests in the first weeks of April. The Co-ops test in academic subjects only.

Shaker has participated in the test since the 1930's and has always ranked well. The scores which individual students receive are percentile scores, and the student can compare his standing with those of others at Shaker and in the entire country. These scores are sometimes made a part of the student's semester grade.

This year sophomores will take a Co-op reading test along with the other tests. This test will replace the Iowa Reading Test which juniors have taken in January before now.

The Co-op reading test will provide reading scores for college records earlier than the Iowa test, and, in some cases, will indicate remedial reading in time for the student to make improvement before taking College Board Entrance Examinations.

Special Effects, Clown Act To Dominate Sharcs Pageant

This year's Sharcs Pageant, directed by Miss Lucille Burkett and Miss Patricia Hallett, will be presented on April 26-27 at 8:00 p.m. Students will also be allowed to attend the dress rehearsal on April 25 at 4:00 p.m.

The pageant will be the culmination of many weeks of hard work. The girls have been practicing every night after school until six o'clock and are making all of their own costumes.

Cindy Kriebel and her committee have already completed the decorations, and two other committees, headed by Karen Kewley and Freddy Mahlman, are working on programs and tickets.

The object of this year's pageant is to create a special mood by using decorations, costumes, and lighting which will fit the music. Jon Lazar and the technical crew have assisted the Sharcs by arranging lighting effects and making tapes.

The show will also contain a clown-diving act done by the male members of the Sharcs Club.

Tickets will cost \$1.00 for the regular performances and \$25 for the dress rehearsal.

Students to Examine Council Institutions

A chance to learn about Student Council methods and activities will be offered to selected students from L.E.L. schools when L.E.L. Visitation Day is held on Monday, April 22.

On that day two students from each L.E.L. school will travel to every other school in the conference for observation and discussion of the various councils.

Shaker will present an actual meeting of its Student Council to the delegates, as well as a tour of the school and lunch in the teachers' cafeteria.

Unique Shaker institutions such as the Student Employment Bureau, the Demerit Panel, and the Central Committee will be under discussion.

Raiders Meet Senate Teams; District Tourney Reorganized

Senate school competition and the new District Tournament loom ahead as the Raider batmen prepare for the 1963 season. Cathedral Latin will provide early competition for the youthful squad on April 11, to open pre-season play, while Benedictine, one of Shaker's most formidable opponents, will journey here April 19.

Paramount in Coach Fred Heinlen's mind is the reorganized District Tournament April 15 through April 18. This year's tournament planning has separated the Lake Erie League into two sections. Joining Shaker in the Western Division will be Parma, Lakewood, and Valley Forge.

The division winner will battle the victor of the Greater Cleveland Classification. Coach Heinlen expresses confidence that Shaker will meet a fair amount of success in these encounters, and have an excellent chance to meet Benedictine, the probable East Senate division candidate, for the opportunity to

go to the Sectional finals.

Coach Heinlen is quite optimistic about the Raider's prospects for the '63 season opening against Heights April 22. He notes, however, that much of the varsity's success this year will rest on the condition of the pitching arm of sophomore Dave Iofredo. The vital pitching spot behind returning letterman Jerry Goetz will hinge on Iofredo's progress during the campaign.

In the L.E.L. season the Heinlenmen again expect the stiffest competition from powerful Euclid Shaker will play 14 league games, closing the season with an independent contest with Garfield, May 31.

Ricemen to Face 19 Foes; Eight Lettermen Returning

Having completed an indoor track season which spanned six meets, including last Friday's contest at the Arena, the Shaker Raiders track team will begin the 1963 outdoor track season with the Mansfield Relays on Saturday, April 13.

The first of Shaker's nine dual meets will take place the following Tuesday at Heights. Although the core of last year's team graduated, Coach Bob Rice reports that, with eight returning lettermen, the cinder-men should have a good season.

These boys are quarter-miler Bruce Rabinovitz, hurdler Russ Holdstein, high-jumper Rick Hyde, shot-putter Bob Needham, sprinter Don Fields, and distance men Jim Inglis, Howard Hopwood and Bill Lorimer.

He also named four sophomores, Jimmy Jones, Peter Tolles, Chris Matey, and Jules Steinberg, as fine contenders who will be sure to help Shaker in the second annual Sophomore Meet, Saturday, May 4, at Shaker.

Coach Rice maintains that, although the Raiders do not have as many outstanding individual performers as last year, they do have better team balance to help them in their nineteen meets.

He also says that the L.E.L. teams will provide the toughest competition for Shaker this year.

V-Ball Intramurals Draw Large Group

Under the supervision of Nay Sanna, the largest turnout in recent years of sophomore, junior, and senior boys has begun the 1963 intramural volleyball season.

Situated in either a Western or Eastern division, twenty teams play a schedule of nine games each. Each game has a twenty-minute time limit, and only six boys on each side may play at one time.

Team captains in the East division are Joey Bauer, Howard Freedman, John Ganley, Jim Horsburgh, Sonny Kaye, Allyn Sobel, Bill Stein, Glen Taggart, Bob Todd, and Rob Watkins.

The team leaders in the West are Garry August, Bob Chernett, Rick Cooper, Bob Restifo, Tom Rison, Dick Rose, David Rosen, Jeff Sanson, Howie Schulman, and Jim Weingart.

Around the Town

Vacation Affords Leisure Time; Diverse Entertainment Available

By Diane Diamond

"The times that try men's souls" have finally subsided, and it is long-awaited Spring Vacation time. For those not fortunate enough to enjoy the Florida sun, Cleveland offers other illuminating entertainment.

The annual Pepsi-Cola Tennis Tournament at the Arena on April 1 and 2, will be followed by high school track meets and boxing bouts. Also, the Cleveland Indians will open the 1963

home season on a day that is predicted to be "shirt-sleeve weather."

Theodore Bikel of "Sound of Music" fame and a noted folksinger as well as an actor, will appear tonight at the Cleveland

Institute of Music. He will entertain with numerous folk songs from the more than 500 in his repertory. Folk-singers are also strumming every night at "La Cave", except Mondays. On the week ends there are three nightly shows, and "Hootenany" allows musicians of the audience a chance to perform.

"Pajama Tops" is the Hanna's contribution to the stage shows this vacation "The Tavern", a satire on the mystery thriller, and the "Caretaker", a modern tragic-farce, are being performed at the Playhouse.

Art Exhibit

"The Chatsworth Exhibition" is still at the Art Museum, but if you have a chance, view the Akron Spring Show, an excellent combination of sculpture, textile studies, and modern art.

Oscar nominee movies are popular in the Cleveland area this vacation: Freud, Days of Wine and Roses, and David and Lisa, a poignant story of young adults, to mention only a few. The Cleveland premiere of Lawrence of Arabia will be held on April 10.

So, even if you don't acquire a tan this vacation, experience some other activity "around the town."



Messieurs Seidman, Snively, and Peterjohn leave the scene of the crime in a game a little rougher than Dr. Naismith proposed.

Auction at Senior Party Supplies Enjoyment, Funds

"The object of the Senior Class party was to have fun and make money. This it did quite well," beamed Miss Marion Thomas, social director.

Auctioneer Dennis Roarty was the highlight of the evening as he netted over \$100 for the Prom Fund in a fast, hard auction.

The first item that set the pace for the rest of the auction was a large empty bottle of Old Grand Dad. This choice item was purchased for \$2.13 by Vince LaMaida.

Another major item was a parking spot in the Faculty Parking Lot which drew a \$19.00 bid from a car pool of girls headed by Ilene Leventhal, Carla Schoen, Carol Luxemburg, Joanie Nathanson, and Betsy Geller.

Seeing the financial success of such an item, Martin Meshen-burg rapidly offered his parking space which was secured for \$12.00 by Howie Weiss.

Donald Chiavetta offered to pick up an individual and bring him to school for four weeks and was quickly purchased for \$16.00 by Ken Boaz.

Ed Stoch offered similar services and was secured for \$10.00 by Carla Schoen.

Among the thirteen other "steals" were an English final, a Latin final, the Uruguayan flag, Nay Sanna's bow tie, and permission to chew any type of gum for one period in Mrs. Jean Brat-tin's physics class.

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Shaker Mothers Make Merry In Honor of Demerit Scholars

The members of Shaker's Mom's Club recognized the three students who failed to win Scholarships at an assembly held February 31. These three outstanding students received the combined award of Yale locks, easily opened by Scholarship keys, and National Demerit Scholarships.

Since there are only three winners, the qualifying restrictions are exceedingly stiff. The basic regulations are similar to that of the Honor Key program and the National Merit.

The first restriction is the most difficult. Instead of possessing 4.5 averages, all interested applicants must have 3.2 P.O.C. preferred. This restriction narrowed this year's group from 1800 to 13.

N.M.S.G.T. Then these thirteen students were compelled to take the N.M.S.G.T. (No More School, Cutler) Scores on this test were measured by net demerits collected by each student. These demerits must be collected with no conspicuous effort. This year's winners have a few tips to prospective applicants.

Suggest Absence They suggest prolonged, unexcused absence from school, seniors parking in the Woodbury Strip, and failure to get weighed and measured in Girls' Physical Education classes (Sev-eral girls narrowly missed qualifying by taking showers in gym).

A score of 250 demerits is considered excellent and 249 is passing. The group of thirteen semi-finalists was narrowed down to six finalists by this system, all of the seven rejects.

These six students were then given their choice of schools sponsoring the National Demerit. These schools include such well-known names in the F. U. S. League as: Rat-Curt, Sickley (National Democrat), West-ern Reserve (Girls' division is months of thorough analysis. He chairman himself after many months of the Society's theory conclusively was developed by the name to the SELSDCPBWS—At their last meeting the Society elected a new chairman, Paxon F. Middleton, and unanimously voted to change their name to the SELSDCPBWS—

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Winners

The three students surviving this rigorous plan are A. Bert Einstein, Winsome Churchill, and Alfred E. Neuman.

Winsome Speaks

Winsome said of his experience, "We feel sincerely that no class would be complete without us. We play a vital role in American education and we serve Shaker gladly. We at the very bottom give you at the very top our sincerest sympathy and earnestly hope that, in your future endeavors, you too may descend the ladder of success."

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By Susan Weisberger



Evidence of sinking is shown as Bill Sahle climbs out of second-floor window.

Science Classes Sinking School

By Kristine Nygaard

"Shaker will sink approximately 27 feet, nine-and-three-quarter inches into the ground, unless something is done to prevent it," snickered Professor Mildew Z. Fatfoot.

The noted scientist has been studying the foundations of the school ever since early October, when several tremors were felt.

Rock Base

He set up his laboratory in the basement and proceeded to drill into the ground for samples of the rock base. When he had dug down 100 feet in several locations and had hit nothing harder than sandstone, Professor Fatfootnik concluded that the school is built on a swamp.

Chemicals Corroding Earth

Continuing his investigations, the professor found that powerful chemical solutions are corroding away the earth under the building. These chemicals were only found below the windows of science classrooms.

Unstability

In a report to the school board, Professor Fatfootnik summed up the causes of the weakening ground as follows: "Basic unstability of the rock foundation, network of holes beneath the basement floor."

The board has decided it will be cheaper to adjust to the situation than to try to remedy it. Plans are being made to move the cafeteria to the roof, and to install extra lighting facilities in the lower floors.

When asked to give a prediction on the time of the "sinking," Professor Fatfootnik gave 2179 as a possible date.

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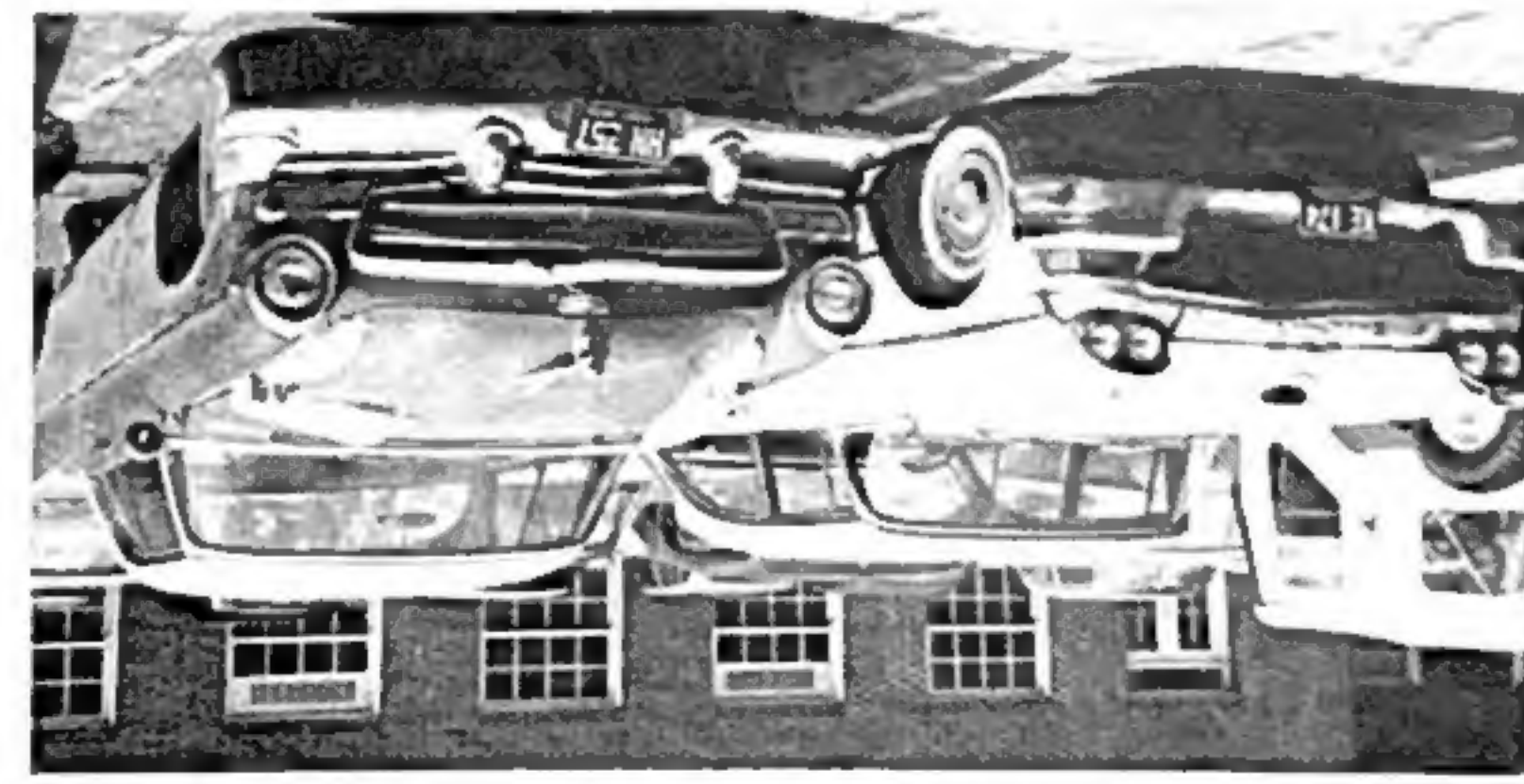
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The Good Life at Shaker High

By Julie Grodin



"Spacious student parking lot which on a sunny day looks like an outdoor version of the 1963 Automobile Show."

Song Lack Noted; Boosters Proposed

By Steve Kilham

It has occurred to The Shaker staff that Shaker students have no song which they can sing between glasses at Joe's. True, Shaker does have two songs which could be considered for this important position, but they do not seem quite suitable. The Right Song is a bit too fast and competitive-sounding to be nostalgic. Besides, upon hearing an old Shakerite singing that some well-substituted listener might be tempted to fill this gap in his vocabulary.

Then, at the other extreme, there is the Alma Mater. But we want it to be nostalgic, not maudlin, remember? Besides, the picture it conjures up, that of 1800 students trying frantically to remember what the words are, is probably not the one we would choose to keep in our treasure house of fond memories.

Replacements

So here are a few examples. You can take them or leave them. You will have to pick out your own tune.

God rest ye, merry Shakerites
Wherever you may be.
All bow toward Shaker
To show your loyalty
once a day

Shaker High, we honor you,
And sing your praises
loud and long
We wish you'd taught us
grammar, though,
We could of sang a better song.
Old Shakerites just leave
our world,
They never, never die.
They ride with red and white
unfurled
In that Jaguar in the sky.

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In many ways, Shaker Heights High School, a gold-plated suburban school, resembles a number of other high schools, but the Shaker Heights High School is different in one significant way—it is an educational Utopia.

Even the casual observer cannot help noticing the student parking lot which is filled to capacity with 1963 convertibles or the stable for student polo-ponies which is conveniently adjacent to the huge new bowling alley.

Upon entering the school itself, one is immediately struck by the congenial atmosphere provided by the pleasantly decorated classrooms which are attractively furnished with the ultimate comfort of the student in mind.

The showplace of the school is the Olympic-size swimming pool in which one sees beautiful mermaid-like creatures wearing the newest and most chic in bathing suit apparel from Paris. The teacher and pupil work happily hand-in-hand in this relaxed atmosphere of luxury. Grades and examinations have been eliminated from the student to work for the pure joy of education rather than for a superficial record of accomplishments. Thus, the Shaker

The Executive Board Eulogizes The Shakerite

By Julie Grodin

In a surprise announcement, a spokesman for the Executive Board of the Student Council burst forth with a glowing eulogy for the Shakerite, that exalted expression of Student Council and Executive Board opinion.

For the assembly of well-wrought students, the spokesman had these words: "I have a few opening announcements. A.T.&T. is up five-eighths. Mr. McNamara informs me that the paper airplane supply is dwindling; so we are asking that you please leave some of that worthless trash . . . Oh, I mean, the extra copies of your articles to insure that your contribution is adequately protected against any surprise aggression from our bratty neighbors."

Then came the sterling announcement which seemed almost as if he intended to say, "We hope that they will continue in the future as they have in the past to say nothing, do nothing, and be . . . the major tri-weekly newspaper in town."

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Pupils Untie Gordian Knot; Stolen Silverware Returned

By Pete Linkow

At the Shaker Heights High School Student Council meeting this week, the latest Shaker problem was discussed. The problem is that students have been returning silverware, and much worse have even straightened bent silverware. What possesses a person to do a thing like this? This is surely the work of depraved people.

Why do we have this problem when other schools have just the opposite problem? Many years back Shaker had much of its fine sterling silver either stolen or destroyed. The school board hired a special lunch-bag investigator, LeRoy Browne, to go through every lunch bag checking for silver. The school board found that after they paid LeRoy's salary and bought new silverware that there was no money left to pay Mrs. Brock's high salary.

One day, as LeRoy was going through the discarded lunch bags, he found a piece of the cafeteria's hamburger meat. Not having had lunch that day because he was too busy working, LeRoy ate the meat and within minutes was dead from botulism. Later, when LeRoy's will was probated, it was found that he had left several million dollars to the school's LBSS Foundation, the Lost, Bent, and Stolen Silverware Foundation. He specified that \$10,000 a year should go into supporting the foundation, and any money left was to go to the Peanut Butter Sandwich Club.

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